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the terms and conditions of charter parties;

- (3) Stevedoring, terminal, and related services including the operation of tonnage centers or other joint container marshaling facilities;
- (4) The following administrative matters:
- (i) Scheduling of agreement meetings;
- (ii) Collection, collation and circulation of data and reports from or to members;
- (iii) Procurement, maintenance, or sharing of office facilities, furnishings, equipment and supplies, the allocation and assessment of costs thereof, or the provisions for the administration and management of such agreements by duly appointed individuals;
- (iv) Procedures for anticipating parties' space requirements;
- (v) Maintenance of books and records; and
- (vi) Details as to the following matters as between parties to the agreement: insurance, procedures for resolutions of disputes relating to loss and/or damage of cargo, and force majeure clauses;
- (5) The following operational matters:
- (i) Port rotations and schedule adjustments; and
- (ii) Changes in vessel size, number of vessels, or vessel substitution or replacement, if the resulting change is within a capacity range specified in the agreement; and
- (6) Neutral body policing (limited to the description of neutral body authority and procedures related thereto).

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Subpart E—Information Form Requirements

§535.501 General requirements.

- (a) Agreements and modifications to agreements identified in §535.502 shall be accompanied by an Information Form containing information and data on the agreement and the parties' authority under the agreement.
- (b) Parties to an agreement subject to this subpart shall complete and submit an original and five copies of the Information Form at the time the

agreement is filed. A copy of the Form in *Microsoft Word* and *Excel* format may be downloaded from the Commission's home page at *http://www.fmc.gov*, or a paper copy of the Form may be obtained from the Bureau of Trade Analysis. In lieu of submitting paper copies, parties may complete and submit their Information Form in the Commission's prescribed electronic format, either on diskette or CD-ROM.

- (c) A complete response in accordance with the instructions on the Information Form shall be supplied to each item. If a party to the agreement is unable to supply a complete response, that party shall provide either estimated data (with an explanation of why precise data are not available) or a detailed statement of reasons for noncompliance and the efforts made to obtain the required information.
- (d) Agreement parties may supplement the Information Form with any additional information or material to assist the Commission's review of an agreement.
- (e) The Information Form and any additional information submitted in conjunction with the filing of an agreement shall not be disclosed by the Commission except as provided in §535.608.

§ 535.502 Agreements subject to the Information Form requirements.

Agreements and modifications to agreements between or among ocean common carriers subject to this subpart are:

- (a) All agreements identified in §535.201(a), except for low market share agreements identified in §535.311;
- (b) Modifications to an agreement that add any of the following authorities:
- (1) The discussion of, or agreement upon, whether on a binding basis under a common tariff or a non-binding basis, any kind of rate or charge;
- (2) The discussion of, or agreement on, capacity rationalization;
- (3) The establishment of a joint service:
- (4) The pooling or division of cargo traffic, earnings, or revenues and/or losses: or
- (5) The discussion of, or agreement on, any service contract matter; and